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## SUBMISSION OF SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION AND SUPPLEMENTAL VERIFIED STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant submits herewith a supplemental Declaration For Patent Application and a supplemental Verified Statement (Declaration) Claiming Small Entity Status {37 CFR 1.9(F) And 1.27(B)} - Independent Inventor, each of which bears the filing date and serial number of the above-identified application. These documents are being filed in an effort to avoid any potential confusion regarding previously filed documents. Please accept these documents and include them in the file for the above-identified case.

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

believe I an original, first and joint inventor of the subject which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled POST LATCHING SYSTEMS, the specification of which was filed in States Patent Office on August 13, 1993, and assigned serial United number 08/106,436.

hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of the Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certifilisted below and have also identified below any foreign application patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of

the application on which priority is claimed: NOT APPLICABLE

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application: U.S. Ser. #07/834,248; U.S. Pat. #5,022,243;

U.S. Ser. #08/011,196; U.S. Pat. #5,197,314; U.S. Pat. #5,050,413; U.S. Pat. #5,027,630; U.S. Pat. #4,900,182

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VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS {37 CFR 1.9(F) AND 1.27 (B)} - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled POST LATCHING SYSTEMS described in the specification filed in the United States Patent Office on August 13, 1993, and assigned serial number 08/106,436.

I have not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed and am under no obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights in the invention to any person who could not be classified as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person had made the invention, or to any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

Each person, concern or organization to which I have assigned, granted, conveyed, or licensed or am under an obligation under contract or law to assign, grant, convey, or license any rights in the invention is listed below:

[ ] No such person, concern, or organization
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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. {37 CFR 1.28(b)}

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

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